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SUBJECT: MEETING OF COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND CULTURAL  
RELATIONS, MARCH 7, 1975

REF: A. USNATO 829

B. STATE 47473

BEGIN SUMMARY: COMMITTEE ACCEPTED JUNE 12-13 DATES FOR NEXT  
CONFERENCE OF NATIONAL INFORMATION OFFICIALS. US REP PRESENTED  
TWO AGENDA PROPOSALS. END SUMMARY.

I. NATO INFORMATION PROBLEMS INCLUDING ANTI-WESTERN PROPAGANDA

1. NOTHING SIGNIFICANT.

II. FOLLOW-UP TO 1974 CONFERENCES OF HEAD OF INFORMATION SECTIONS  
IN MINISTRIES OF DEFENSE

2. NATO DEFENSE INFORMATION LIAISON OFFICER DEVRIES ANNOUNCED  
THAT:

A. FIRST IN PLANNED SERIES OF REGIONAL MEETINGS AIMED AT  
ESTABLISHING CLOSER COOPERATION AMONG DEFENSE INFORMATION  
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OFFICERS WILL BE HELD FRIDAY, MARCH 14 AND WILL INCLUDE  
INFORMATION OFFICERS FROM MINISTRIES OF DEFENSE  
IN FRG AND BENELUX COUNTRIES AS WELL AS INFORMATION  
OFFICERS FROM NATO INTERNATIONAL SECRETARIAT,

INTERNATIONAL MILITARY STAFF, SHAPE, AND POSSIBLE  
AFCENT.

B. AFFIRMATIVE RESPONSES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FROM LCMILT  
NATIONAL DELEGATIONS REGARDING THE APRIL 10-11  
CONFERENCE OF EDITORS OF ARMED FORCES PUBLICATIONS.

III. PREPARATION FOR THE CONFERENCE OF NATIONAL INFORMATION OFFICIALS  
(CONIO)

3. COMMITTEE AGREED ON JUNE 12-13 DATES.

4. US REP PRESENTED TWO AGENDA PROPOSALS AS PER REF B. ON  
PERSONAL BASIS, THERE WAS GENERAL AGREEMENT ON VALUE OF  
DEPARTMENT'S CSCE SUGGESTION (REF B, PARA 2A). MOST  
REPRESENTATIVES SHOWED GREATER RESERVE WITH REGARD TO SECOND  
SUGGESTION (REF B, PARA 2B). FRENCH REPRESENTATIVE SAID THAT  
THIS SUGGESTION SEEMED EXTREMELY BROAD IN FOCUS AND THAT HE  
WOULD HAVE TO CONSULT WITH HIS AUTHORITIES. OTHER REPRESENTA-  
TIVES ALSO AGREED TO PUT THIS SUGGESTION TO THEIR NATIONAL  
AUTHORITIES.

5. CHAIRMAN KOREN SUGGESTED THAT AGENDA INCLUDE ONE OR TWO  
HIGH-LEVEL BRIEFINGS WITH DISCUSSION PERIOD. HE SAID THAT HE  
COULD APPROACH SECRETARY GENERAL LUNS OR ASSISTANT SECRETARY  
GENERAL FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS JORG KASTL FOR THIS PURPOSE.  
COMMITTEE AGREED TO THIS PROPOSAL. NO OTHER AGENDA  
PROPOSALS WERE MADE AT THIS MEETING.

IV. NATO RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

6. ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION VERNON ANNOUNCED THAT  
NO APPLICATIONS WERE BEING SUBMITTED THIS YEAR BY  
LUXEMBOURG, NETHERLANDS, NORWAY AND PORTUGAL. COMMITTEE  
DECIDED TO POSTPONE FURTHER DISCUSSION OF NATO FELLOWSHIP  
PROGRAM UNTIL AFTER APRIL 14 MEETING OF FELLOWSHIP  
SELECTION PANEL.

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